

U. S. FLAG TO FLY OVER U-BOAT LINE NYW BEING PLANNED

Success of Deutschland Suggests Plan to Break British Food Blockade.

HUGE PROFITS POSSIBLE

New Submarines Contemplated Which Will Have Capacity of 5,000 Tons.

BALTIMORE, July 13.—Utter shattering of the British starvation blockade will soon be attempted by a fleet of giant undersea freighters flying the American flag.

Inspired by the success of the German submarine, the Oceanic, which is forming an enormous American corporation to make undersea ships that will put the Deutschland in the pigmy class.

Simon Lake, submarine inventor, who fully a year ago predicted in a scientific paper that "we shall probably see some form of cargo-carrying submarine constructed as blockade runners," will act in an advisory capacity to the new corporation, and permit use of his patents.

Hilken gave the United Press the following exclusive statement of his plans today: "Captain Simon Lake, undoubtedly the pioneer in the design of successful submarines and P. G. Hilken, American manager of the Oceanic, Bremen, are considering the advisability of forming a company to operate under the American flag, a service similar to that begun by the Oceanic (Rhederer) with its submarine freighter Deutschland.

"The success of the trip of the Deutschland, and the huge profits which are already accruing, have led to the vessel being practically paid for her first voyage—lead those who are planning the new venture to expect it to prove successful financially."

Sign Papers Soon. As a matter of fact, the papers will be signed soon, barring unexpected developments.

Captain Lake placed his O. K. upon the announcement and gave the following additional statement: "The submarines will have a 5,000-ton capacity. They will cost about \$1,250,000 each. They will be based on his latest patents, but will also embody principles which he patented as long ago as 1897, when he filed a statement that his vessel was suitable for cargo-carrying purposes. They will be no constructed that even though pierced by shell-fire, their buoyancy will keep them afloat."

"Captain Koenig, of the Deutschland, Mr. Hilken, and others interested, consider my patents feasible," he said. "I shall be employed in an advisory capacity and retain my patents. We had a very satisfactory conference, and I have reason to believe that the corporation will soon be formed."

Incidentally, Lake explained he drew plans several years ago for an undersea freighter for a Canadian railway, to run during the winter between Vancouver and Victoria, and the designers of the road balked at the expense.

Has Financial Backing. This will not be the case in the new corporation. Paul Hilken, who with Alfred Lohmann, Bremen, fulfilled the dream of actually operating a sub-Atlantic freight service, is prepared to furnish unlimited millions to back him, in part, are the Krupp interests, it is understood, for their representatives are taking part in the preliminary conferences.

"It will be a wonderful thing for both the United States and Germany," Hilken. "Just think of what this country can obtain from Germany, and of the food, rubber and metals we can send back there past the British starvation blockade."

The cargo submarine Deutschland, inspiration for this enormous plan, is ready today for loading, preliminary to returning to Germany. It looked as though the tug Timmian was ready to haul her away very soon, en route to the cape, where she must run the allied war vessel line.

German Ambassador Bernstorff was due about noon to see Captain Koenig and the crew, and then to have dinner tonight with the party as the guests of Mayor Preston.

Drugs To Be Brought To U. S. By Submarines

BALTIMORE, July 13.—Salvarian will be brought here in limited quantity by the submarine freighter Bremen, sister-ship of the Deutschland, it was officially learned today.

The cargo will also contain other badly-needed German drugs.

Condensed milk, much needed by Germany, probably will not be shipped on the Deutschland, but will be a part of later cargoes.

Had Three Wives, But Escapes Bigamy Charge

REDDING, Cal., July 13.—Oscar J. Schow, of Fresno, escaped conviction on a charge of bigamy because he had three wives instead of two. Judge Eaton instructed the jury to acquit.

Records introduced showed that Schow married his first wife in Ohio in 1910, and his second, Miss Helga, in 1912, in San Francisco. In 1912, without having been divorced from the first, he got a divorce from the first in Portland in 1912, and married Mrs. Hannah Dalberg in this city in April last.

Record Mail Volume Index to Prosperity, Postal Officials Say

Mailings and Postal Receipts in Every Section Show Vast Increase and Post Office Department Will Have a Surplus for Year.

Big postoffice of the United States are handling the greatest volume of mail in history.

In Chicago the rush of mail matter is the greatest recorded, surpassing the Christmas rush of last year.

In New York the daily average volume of mail handled is nearly as great as on the biggest day of Christmas business.

Figures compiled for Second Assistant Postmaster General Praeger by the mails division of the Postoffice Department show a condition that is unprecedented.

Business Barometer. Economists of the Postoffice Department declare that the volume of domestic mails is the surest and most accurate index to business and trade conditions of the country.

Third Assistant Postmaster General Dockery said that it was a sure barometer that the mail industry because it touches every trade and business, every section and every home in the United States.

Postal receipts, Governor Dockery said, have been increasing consistently and persistently. There has been no spasmodic jump ahead showing unsteady conditions, he said, but for months the ratio of increased receipts, showing increased mailings has gone steadily ahead.

Growing Steadily. "This condition the governor continued, 'is not confined to any particular section. It is widespread throughout the country.'

BOARD TO PASS ON SUBMARINE STATUS

State Department Asks Neutrality Body for Opinion on the Deutschland.

The State Department today referred to the Government neutrality board the question whether the German submarine Deutschland is a merchant vessel or a warship.

Acting Secretary of State Polk submitted to the board joint reports of Collector of Customs Ryan, at Baltimore, and the three naval officers who were sent to make a thorough inspection of the vessel. This board acts merely in an advisory capacity, but it is likely its recommendations will be followed by the State Department.

It is considered certain the Deutschland will be held a merchant vessel, but a complete report giving the reasons for this finding is desired to satisfy the British and French governments, which have asked the submarine be recognized as a warship.

GETS LICENSE TO WED HER SIXTH HUSBAND

Applicant, Aged Thirty-three, Says She Buried Five Other Husbands.

"A license to marry my sixth if you please. No, not divorced, I buried the other five."

This striking announcement from a jocular woman of thirty-three caused everyone in the clerk's office at the court house this afternoon to halt work and look over the applicants at the marriage license counter.

Col. William A. Kroll, who issues the marriage licenses, looked puzzled and put his question again to the woman: "Ever been married before?"

"Yes, I've buried five and this is my sixth," replied the woman with a great point, pointing to her intended. The license was issued.

CHAS. MANDES WEDS MISS CHRISTOPOULOS

Lunchroom Proprietor Marries New Work Girl—Greek Ceremony.

More than 200 guests attended the picturesque and historic Greek ceremony celebrated at the wedding last evening of Charles Mandes, proprietor of several lunch rooms in Washington, and Miss Z. Christopoulos, of New York city.

The ceremony started at 6 o'clock. According to the Greek custom the festivities lasted until an early hour this morning.

After the celebration Mr. and Mrs. Mandes left for a trip to Niagara Falls and Atlantic City. They will return to make their home in Washington.

The Rev. Alexopoulos performed the ceremonies. Among those who were present were Stephen Kourkouras, secretary of the Greek legation; Dr. John Constantinos of George Washington University; Soterios Nicholson, Christian Roussos, president of the Greek Community of Washington, and Dr. B. Assimak.

Fun of "Rocking Canoe" Costs Lives of Two Men

NORRISTOWN, Pa., July 13.—"Rocking" the canoe was responsible here today for the drowning of W. M. Bernhardt, of Reading, and J. R. Henley, of Pottsville, in the Schuylkill river. Three companions escaped and one, Horace Overdirt, is being held for the coroner's inquest.

The United States, touching every section and practically every community. Receipts are increasing consistently month by month.

"There will be a postal surplus this year," he continued. "This is positive. It means much as compared with the deficits in postal business that followed the period of unrest following the European war. How much the surplus will be I am not prepared to state. I do not wish to make the detailed figures public until we have the report of the auditor."

That the postal business of the country is moving with the greatest rush ever experienced at this season of the year, is shown by Mr. Praeger's report on mail equipment. Every facility of the service is in operation.

In other years it has been customary to store great quantities of sacks and other equipment through the spring and summer months, when a lull is customary. This year there has been no lull, and the demand for mail sacks and equipment is so heavy that there is scarcely opportunity for repair.

No Summer Lull. The check on mail volume, as on receipts, shows a steady rising tide in place of the usual summer lull.

Detailed figures for the spring months in the hand of Second Assistant Praeger show phenomenal increases.

Governor Dockery declared today that the present era of big postal business set in just a little over a year ago. The mails dropped off with astounding suddenness at the outbreak of war. The drop continued until early 1915. May of 1915 was almost on a par with May of 1914. June showed an increase and then the high tide set in.

POSTPONE HONORS TO CARRIZAL DEAD

Delay in Arrival of Bodies Prevents Funeral Service at Arlington Today.

Because of delay in arrival of the bodies, the funeral of colored troopers of the Tenth Cavalry, killed in the Carrizal skirmish, has been postponed until 8 o'clock tomorrow morning. It was announced at the War Department today. It will be under the direction of Lieut. A. L. P. Johnson, second cavalry.

Thousands of colored people, who had expected to participate in the procession, were gathered at Union Station early this afternoon to meet the train. They were later advised of the delay by the Rev. Simon J. Drew and Dr. J. M. Curtis, in charge of committees of colored citizens, and told to reassemble at the station at 8 o'clock tomorrow.

The procession will pass up Pennsylvania avenue, along Fourteenth street to the Highway Bridge to the Arlington gate, where it will be met by the Engineer Band. Caskets containing the bodies will be decorated at the station with wreaths of flowers and will be placed on caissons furnished by the field artillery of the District militia organizations.

The Rev. Dr. Drew has requested all colored organizations which come under the direction of his committee to report to Lieutenant Johnson at the Union Station at 8 o'clock tomorrow for assignment to a place in the procession. The committee on a caisson, of which Dr. Drew is chairman, consists of the Rev. George W. Thomas, W. A. Davis, Bishop W. R. Winston, Bishop J. J. Higgins, Rev. Leroy Fraser, and W. H. Foster.

The committee, headed by Dr. Curtis, includes: Miss Mary Curtis, secretary; Prof. John R. Hawkins, treasurer; Thomas Walker, L. M. King, Shelby Davidson, James A. Farnsworth, A. Cobb, Judge R. H. Terrell, John C. Reeves, the Revs. C. H. Stepleau, J. M. Waldron, Walter H. Brooks, Dr. H. Johnson, G. W. Cabanis, E. D. Williams, C. W. Childs, Mrs. Lottie Greene, Miss Anna Greene, Dr. W. A. Warfield, W. R. Singleton, Mrs. W. C. Brown, W. H. Hamilton, the Rev. W. C. Brown, drew Thomas, Howard Thomas, W. H. C. Brown, Zeph P. Moore, Whitfield McKimley, John H. Buck, Capt. Alexander Oglesby, and Walter Singleton.

EARTH SPOUTS, SKY RAINS KITTENS' WAILS

NEW YORK, July 13.—Two young kittens set out for an evening stroll in Whitestone Tuesday night and nearly lost two of their eighteen lives. Incidentally, they ended a long and arduous one life escape possessed by Russell Rosa, of the United States torpedo destroyers, and F. D. Dixon, sexton of a church in Whitestone.

Mrs. Dixon was returning home about midnight when she heard the wails of a cat. She told her husband and the two returned to a catch basin from which the sounds proceeded. After a slippery descent of twenty feet Mr. Dixon emerged triumphant with a drugged kitten.

They let the kitten go and presently heard again the wails of a distressed cat. While they were trying to raise the manhole cover to see if the kitten was under the street, a sailor appeared and discovered that the creature had crept from the top of a tall tree the branches of which were interlaced with live telegraph wires.

He said he would get that cat if it took all night, and after a hazardous climb of almost 100 feet he descended with a scared and fatigued cat.

It is thought that the cats were chased by a dog, whereupon one tried the airplane, and the other the submarine, method of escape.

HEARING CONTINUED IN McLEAN LITIGATION

The hearing on the rule issued on the American Security and Trust Company, executors of the will of the late John R. McLean, millionaire publisher and financier, to show cause why Edward Beale McLean, sole heir-at-law under the document, should not be paid the net income of the estate pending disposition of the will contest was today continued.

Justice Gould who issued the rule to show cause on the executor, following a petition filed by Edward Beale McLean, seeking the payment of the net income of the estate set the time of the hearing at 10 o'clock on July 14.

BRITISH TO KEEP UP DRIVE ALONG SOMME

Asquith Announces in Parliament Suspension of Bank Holidays.

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claim that the attacking forces have suffered heavy losses comparable only to the casualties at Verdun. British correspondents report that the English losses have been severe only in the death grapple for possession of villages, where German machine guns have played on the British lines.

No Canadian or Australian troops have taken part in the attack on Verdun, but the Newfoundland troops have distinguished themselves, according to reports from British headquarters.

The Newfoundland battalion was pushed up in what may be called the third wave in the attack on Verdun, the most formidable section of the whole German front through an almost overwhelming artillery fire and acres of ground swept by enfilading machine-gun fire from hidden positions," said one dispatch.

On the eastern front the operations have reached a temporary lull with the Russians and Austro-Germans re-distributing their forces and bringing up artillery along the Stokod river for a renewal of heavy fighting.

DRIVE FAILS TO HALT ASSAULTS ON VERDUN

Seventh Great Attack With Massed Infantry Under Way.

PARIS, July 13.—Dense German masses are storming the approaches to Fort Souville in the seventh great assault on Verdun since the battle for the fortress began 146 days ago.

The violence of yesterday's attacks furnishes unmistakable evidence that Germany is determined to continue the attack on Verdun, regardless of her critical position on other fronts. French military critics agreed on this point today, after studying the reports from headquarters.

The Germans kept up a violent bombardment throughout the night on the sectors of Souville, Chenois and Lauffe, but made no infantry attacks, the war office announced today.

BEGAN ON TUESDAY

The present attack began Tuesday. The Germans had spent eighteen days in preparation. They brought up new guns and trench mortars, shifted more troops from the west bank of the Meuse and hurried fresh supplies of ammunition to the Souville-Damouville sector.

The French, ready to meet the shock, turned loose a shower of shells into the advancing German ranks, and took a terrible toll with their "88's." Throughout Tuesday night and all day yesterday the battle raged in the Souville-Damouville sector, the French counter attacking with great spirit.

Only at one point, near the intersection of the Fleury and Vaux roads did the German attack gain ground.

French Front Quiet. An intermittent cannonade occurred on the French front on both sides of the Somme last night, but there were no important actions, the Paris War Office announced today.

In the Champagne, the French penetrated a trench in the German line, taking prisoners.

In the Argonne, a German attack northeast of Bolonne was checked by a French death due to an overdose of gas, the Vosges a German attack south of Carpiach was repulsed after a violent grenade combat.

GRAND DUKE'S ARMY TAKES MAMAKHATUM

Russians in Armenia Resume Drive Toward Erzincan.

PETROGRAD, July 13.—Russian troops have captured the town of Mamakhatum, fifty miles west of Erzerum on the Taurus river and half way to Erzincan, an assault, says the official statement given out by the War Office tonight, which says:

West of Erzerum our troops, having repulsed the Turks, took the town of Mamakhatum by assault. In the course of their retreat the enemy set fire to the town. We took measures to extinguish the flames.

Prisoners continued to be brought in. From the 2d to the 8th inst. 107 officers, 84 men, three guns, ten machine guns, and four bomb throwers were captured. A large quantity of arms and war material was left on the line of retreat followed by the Turks.

CONSTANTINOPLE, July 13. (via London.)—Russians are assembling to check the Turkish troops in the Caucasus by means of counter-attacks, but the War Office announced today that these onslaughts had been beaten off. In Mesopotamia a small body of British troops was put to flight. The announcement follows:

BERLIN, July 13.—The repulse of Russian attempts to cross the Dvina river and of attacks south of Lake Narco, was announced officially this afternoon. The situation along the Stokod river, where the Slavs are attempting to advance on Kovels, is unchanged.

In yesterday's fighting the Germans took 1,832 Russian prisoners and captured twelve machine guns.

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KOENIG WILL MEET HIS BROTHER IN N. Y.

Twenty Lieder and Schutzenbunds to Join in Reunion After Twenty Years.

NEW YORK, July 13.—Twenty years ago two brothers parted on the wharf in Hamburg, Germany, one starting for America in search of fortune and the other remaining behind to join the German merchant marine.

The man who came to this country is now the owner of a hotel, the head of a savings society bearing his name and an officeholder in a score of German societies.

From the day the two young men gripped each other's hands and said: "Auf Wiedersehen, mein lieber Bruder" the two have not seen each other once, have not even heard from one another in many years.

On Monday morning the brother who came to America, George Koenig, unfolded his newspaper, read the story of the submarine Deutschland's history-making arrival in the Chesapeake bay and exclaimed to his wife, Margaret, "Mein Gott! The captain is my brother!"

Small wonder that George was surprised and elated to read that the able seaman brother he had left in Hamburg a generation ago had suddenly won renown by making an underwater journey of more than 4,600 miles. Small wonder that his first thought was to arrange a fitting reception for that brother. A celebration in honor of Capt. Paul Koenig, arranged by his brother, George, is to last ten days.

Herman L. Schrader, of the Republican state committee, has been made chairman of the committee that is to invite him "to make his coming a royal welcome."

"Preparations are even now well under way," the hotel Koenig is already decorated for the occasion. The walls of the lobby are hung with pictures of Bismarck, von Hindenburg, and the Kaiser, and over all is a great German flag.

Five thousand members of the twenty schutzenbunds and Liederbunds to which George Koenig belongs are making ready their club houses to throw their doors open to the hero of the hour. In all these homes of hospitality they were drinking last night to "Unser Paul, and singing songs of love, honor, and glory, and the German people, der Kommandant der Deutschland!"

Sleeping Potion Is Cause of Man's Death

FEDERALSBURG, Md., July 13.—Thomas O. Jefferson, fifty-two, proprietor of drug stores at Federalburg and East New Market, was found dead in the Ivy swamp near here today. He had been missing since yesterday noon. He was last seen alive going toward his farm, which adjoins the swamp.

A coroner's jury rendered a verdict of accidental death due to an overdose of a sleeping potion, which Jefferson frequently took. An empty vial, which had contained the dose, was found near the body.

Concert Today

By the U. S. Marine Band, at Washington Circle, 7:30 p. m.

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March, "All America".....Zamecnik
Overture, "Morning, Noon, and Night".....Suppe
Fantasia, "Ruse".....Tobani
Duet for Cornet and Trombone, "A Night in Venice".....Lucantoni
Musicians, A. Witcomb and R. Clark
Romance, "A Bowl of Panacea".....Reynard
Entr'acte, "Petite Bijouterie".....Bohm
Musical Scenes from Switzerland, "And They Call It Dixie-land".....Whiting
Fox-trot, "The Star-Spangled Banner."

WOMAN NOT SORRY SHE SHOT HUSBAND

Mrs. Beutinger Says He Made Life a Hell, and Shows Bruises He Inflicted.

NEWARK, July 13.—"I do not regret having killed my husband," Mrs. Christopher Beutinger told a reporter who visited her in her cell in the Essex county jail today.

The frail little woman, who is under arrest charged with shooting and killing her husband Tuesday at their home in Caldwell, spoke simply and calmly. She seemed buoyed up by her contention that her act was justified because it was committed in self-defense.

"My married life," she said, "was a hell. I did not buy the pistol with the intention of taking his life. I bought it to protect myself from his brutality."

"Oh, if you could only realize the indignities he heaped on me during the years of our married life and the cruelty with which he treated me!"

"I once divorced him, but when he came to me swearing that he would be a good husband and a true father we were remarried."

Mrs. Beutinger bears on her throat the imprints of her husband's fingers left there in the struggle that took place in the bedroom on Tuesday night before the shooting. One of her eyes is discolored, a finger is broken and her body is covered with bruises.

Friends of Mrs. Beutinger have been trying to obtain her release on bail, but the State prosecutor has opposed this. She was visited by her counsel, Walter J. Brandley, of Caldwell, who said that he thought the case would have to be tried.

Dr. Edward W. Markens, physician in the Essex county jail, examined Mrs. Beutinger and may be a witness for her when she is brought to trial.

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Gus Bucholz at the Occidental Hotel, Mr. Droop and Mr. Bucholz "conveyed" them in their cruises about Washington today.

Mr. Bucholz has arranged to send a letter to his brother in Germany by one of the visiting seamen.

In the party are: Wilhelm Muller, George Nagel, Ludwig Schwarzhild, Bruno Tachner, Robert Zimmer and Fried Humke.

Leader of Party. Humke is the leader of the party. He is perhaps the largest man aboard the submarine, standing a good six feet tall, and so thick from shoulder muscles to chest that one wonders how he squeezed himself into the tiny bunk in the crew's quarters.

Asked the inevitable question: "How do you like Washington?" Humke replied: "Well, we have beautiful buildings in Germany. Quite as beautiful, I think, as the ones here. But who has the pressed us most are the best breathing spaces and the parks."

When asked what he thought of the chances of an aeroplane detecting the submarine, Humke laughed.

"What if they do? What if there is a ripple in the water? We'll simply smile to ourselves down there in the deeps."

Gave Tramp a Scare. Ludwig Schwarzhild told to his friends here a remarkable incident which occurred on the voyage over. While somewhere in mid-ocean, running in surface trim, the submarine commander ordered the mast telescoped preparing to dive, if necessary. As the mast apparently sank into the hold of the submarine and her true character lay revealed, the tramp hurriedly put about, crowded on speed, and showed a clean pair of heels.

RUSSIA LIFTS BAN ON CHINESE LABOR

Follows France in Authorizing Use of Laborers From China.

PETROGRAD (via London), July 13.—Russia has authorized the employment of Chinese labor in Minsk province, according to the semi-official news agency.

France also has imported Chinese labor, under certain restrictions, to fill the gaps in the ranks of farm laborers and workers in other industries, due to the vast numbers of men called for war service.

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